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SOME INTERESTING INFORMATION.

Some interesting information relative to the far north of Alberta was contained in the remarks of Mr. Bredin, member of the legislature for the most northerly riding in the province in his address upon moving the speech from the throne. Mr. Bredin said:

"It may be interesting to this house to know that the first printed agricultural report from what is now the province of Alberta, related to the constituency of Alberta, which I have the honor to represent in this house. Absolutely the first two attempts by white men to grow crops of any kind in Alberta were made, first at the confluence of the Athabasca and Clearwater rivers, and secondly at the confluence of the Red river with the Peace. The first point is in Athabasca and the second place is in the constituency represented in this house by the honorable member for Peace River. These experiments were successfully tried in the 18th century, about 120 years ago. These places are respectively 250 and 400 miles north of Edmonton. The printed report that I have referred to is to be found in the 1801 edition of Alexander McKenzie's account of his travels to the frozen ocean and the western (Pacific) sea."

"McKenzie's (afterward Sir Alexander) account says that he found European vegetables such as potatoes, turnips and cabbage growing luxuriantly in Mr. Pond's garden at the forks of the Elk (the former name of the Athabasca) and Clearwater rivers. From that time until the present date the residents at those places have always been able to grow in abundance the vegetables required for their own use. Thus, it will be seen, Mr. Speaker, that I have a license more than 100 years old for advocating the agricultural status and resources of the northern part of this province."

"This season just past has not been generally all that could be desired by the farming community. It will be pleasing to this house and the country, to know that conditions north of the Athabasca river have been normal. For the satisfaction of this house there have been laid on the table samples of wheat and oats raised last year on Peace river. It was taken from a field of 115 acres that was put into the ground on the 24th day of April last. It was cut by the 26th of August and threshed and stored in the granary on the 20th day of September before any frost came. The 115 acre field averaged 43 bushels to the acre."

The speech of Minister of Public Works Cushing, delivered in the house on the occasion of his moving the first reading of his telephone and telegraph bill was a comprehensive and forceful presentation of the policies of the government toward this most important subject. There has been considerable agitation of the subject of the government buying out the Bell people in this province and a few days ago a number of the opposition took occasion to question Mr. Cushing relative to the intentions of the government in that regard.

Mr. Cushing informed the member and the people of the province that the government was willing to buy the Bell system if the Bell company was ready to sell at a fair price as the government had no wish to build parallel lines if it was not necessary but that the government did not propose to pay any fancy price, that the Bell people had indicated no wish to

sell as yet and that the government did not propose to delay in its offer of providing all parts of the province with telephone service. He stated broadly that any community, rural or otherwise, would be supplied with a telephone service for the asking. If the Bell company wanted to sell it was up to the concern to offer terms; if it was willing to sell at a fair valuation, well and good, the government would build no parallel lines, otherwise parallel lines would go in as it was the policy of the government to provide a complete government telephone system throughout Alberta. That was a straight-forward and business-like utterance. It will, we think, be received with satisfaction by the people of the province. One thing in particular, it no doubt assures. That is that the Bell people will not be able to unload on Alberta at the fancy figure obtained from the conservative government of Manitoba.

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DISCOVERS A NEW PASS

Word has reached Grand Trunk officials at the head office in Montreal that a party of surveyors who had been at work along the Copper river have discovered a very much shorter and easier route between Fort George and Prince Rupert.

The present plans of the company, drawn up as a result of exhaustive preliminary surveys, provide that the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific shall strike the head waters of the Fraser river at Yellowhead Pass, and follow the course of that river in a line veering sharply to the north, until Fort George is reached. At Fort George the Fraser river turns in a quick bend and this erratic turn in its channel left the engineers puzzled as to how they should continue the line through the mountains to the coast, for no other river appeared to point the way.

They saw no other way but for it to continue in the same northerly direction to Hazelton, far to the north of Prince Rupert. At Hazelton they struck the Skeena river and naturally mapped out their route to follow the valley of that river down to Prince Rupert. This is a roundabout way of getting through the mountain, but right up to the present time it has appeared to be the only practicable one and the company's scheme of construction has been drawn up on that basis.

The new route has met with very favorable comment, and Mr. Van Andel, assistant chief engineer, has been dispatched to examine the new grade and report.—Saturday News.

American Buy Coal Lands.
Another syndicate of American capitalists has become interested in Alberta coal lands. Spokane parties have bought a tract at Taber and, it is announced, will shortly begin development operations with the idea of putting the coal on the Spokane market next season.

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Frank News in Brief

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Mrs. Dr. O'Hagan of Little has been quite ill during the week. Philip Hart, has left the service of the "41" Market and will start an independent shop at Bellevue.

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The West Canadian Collieries has resumed operations at Little and to some extent at Bellevue, a very satisfactory indication that activity in the coal market is resuming.

A news dispatch from Fernie yesterday states that a murder was committed in that city Tuesday night. The victim was J. R. Cameron who was stabbed to death by two Italians. The dispatch gave no details of the crime.

W. F. Mulken, the Pincher Creek operator who was held responsible for the wreck which resulted in the death of F. Ormby, was given a preliminary hearing at Macleod last week on a charge of criminal negligence and committed for trial.

The McLaron logging camps have about completed the work for the winter. Camps Nos. 2, 3 and 4 have finished and have the logs all on the dump at the river's edge and No. 1 is nearly finished. Work at the latter camp suspended Tuesday when a cut in wages was announced and twenty men struck. Whether more men will be put on to finish up or what course will be taken is not stated.

Bessie Farrell and wife, on their honeymoon trip, visited Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Felleiter of Blairmore, their uncle and aunt, last week. They were accompanied by the Misses Kitla Cyr, Alice Gossin and Alpha Levesque. Mr. Farrell though a young man was one of the old timers in this country, having come here eighteen years ago from Maine with his parents. He is now manager of the St. Albert hotel at St. Albert.

Roy Thompson, brother of Fred Thompson, merchant tailor of Blairmore, returned Monday from Barker, B. C. at the northern end of the stage route to the Fraser river country where J. F. Wilson prospected last summer for an eastern syndicate, in which work, Mr. Thompson was associated with Mr. Wilson. Mr. Thompson goes east for a visit and will return to the northern British Columbia country in the spring to locate.

The infant son of Mike Sakella died Tuesday morning.

O. E. Baillie of the Western Meat company at Pincher Creek, visited Frank Saturday.

Inspector Belcher of the mounted police has been up from Pincher since Tuesday.

A. V. Lang has been appointed registrar for the district of Frank and T. M. Bursett for Bellevue for the purpose of recording all births and deaths.

The members of the Pincher Creek team, before leaving for home Saturday evening, sent to The Frank Paper a communication expressing the hearty appreciation felt by all the members of the team of the courteous treatment they received at the hands of the Frank Hockey club.

The lowest temperature of the winter thus far was recorded last Thursday night when the mercury reached twelve degrees below zero. The weather immediately moderated and the mercury has not since reached zero. Another storm has been on for three days however and it is possible some real winter may be experienced before the disturbance passes. For the first time during the winter there is good sleighing.

The snow fall of the past week has enabled those who have the contract this season for getting out timber for the coal company, to begin hauling. A special sleigh road has been made all the way from the Blairmore dump to the coal company's yard and the timbers are being moved with all possible expedition. The cold spell has also been beneficial in another respect as it has removed the fear of a short crop in the ice crop. The harvest is under way and an ample supply for the summer season will be stored.

It is understood that the provincial government intends to supplement the village act to provide more workable regulations relative to sanitary affairs in villages. Under the act it has been found that enforcement of the sanitary regulations has been somewhat difficult and the new regulations or revision of the old ones is designed to remedy that phase of the law. It is also stated that the government intends investigating the pollution of streams in this district and that the chief sanitary inspector of the province will shortly visit The Pass to look into the situation in Coleman, Blairmore and Frank—all of which places there is much pollution of the Old Man river that should not be permitted.

A girl baby was born to the wife of Wm. Shiroon of Bellevue Monday.

Leslie Mills has given up the skating rink and has been taken over by Richard Brown.

The miner's union has arranged to extend aid from the treasury of the organization to such of its members in Frank as may require aid during the shut down of the mine.

E. Lourne this week purchased from Mark Drumm a pair of exceedingly fine Plymouth Rock chickens with a view to getting a start at breeding thoroughbred poultry. There are a few of these fine birds left which the owner would like to dispose of before the breeding season opens and will therefore sell very reasonably. Persons wishing to breed up their stock or to get into pure bred poultry will find an advantageous opportunity by writing to or applying at this office.

Professor Iluston of the Frank school has been asked by some of the young men of the town to conduct a night school and has tentatively agreed to do so provided there are enough scholars to make it worth his while. The promoters have therefore called a meeting for next Monday evening at the Imperial hotel at which it is desired that all who would like to take advantage of a night school, be present. If it is then found to be advisable, arrangements for carrying on the school will be made.

S. I. EXTENSION RUMORED

The Spokane International, or the Canadian Pacific, according to current rumors, is preparing to start in the early spring the construction of an extension of a line from the present northern terminus of the Spokane-International at Eastport, Idaho to Crow's Nest Pass, where it will connect with the Canadian Pacific via the Spokane-Review.

The extension if not through will require about 20 miles of road in a northerly direction from Eastport to Fernie, B. C. It is said that the purpose is to tap by a more direct line from Spokane the coal fields in the Crow's Nest Pass country, where the Canadian Pacific is expending more than \$1,000,000 in developing its coal properties.

The report of the contemplated project follows an extended trip made by D. C. Corbin, president of the Spokane International. He has been in St. Paul, Minneapolis and other western cities since about the first of the year and he spent a week or more in Montreal, conferring with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president

of the Canadian Pacific.

Asked as to the truth of the report Mr. Corbin said: "Any such report is not true. We are not going to do any railroad building this year."

Mr. Corbin said that the Soo-Spokane limited train which was taken off January 5 would be put on again between Spokane and the Twin Cities in the early spring, but that the exact date had not been fixed.

COLEMAN NEWS

A boy-baby was born Tuesday to the wife of Mr. Watson of the coal company and on Monday a boy was born to Mrs. George Porter.

An exceedingly pleasant surprise party was perpetrated on Adam Paterson of the Pacific hotel Wednesday evening by a large number of his friends.

H. N. Galar, vice president of the International and Alberta Coal com-

panies and the Royal Collieries, was over from Spokane last week to look over the affairs of those companies. He left Wednesday for Spokane.

The International company had the biggest month in its history last month in the matter of output. The total shipments amounted to 46,225 tons and the mine was idle considerable of the time during the last week of the month owing to shortage of cars due to the burning of the St. Mary's bridge which delayed the arrival of empties.

The Coleman hockey team left Tuesday for Kamloops to participate in the annual ice and snow carnival which commenced Tuesday. The boys were scheduled to play their first game with Spokane last evening and it was generally felt they would have little difficulty in taking the Americans into camp but the Yankees had a surprise up their sleeve, according to a report received this morning and headed Coleman a defeat by a score of 6 to 5.

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